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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the Application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-26. (*cancelled*)

27. (*New*) A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event, and the actual reported earnings for the predetermined earnings event.

28. (*New*) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 27, wherein the time series for each analyst graphically depicts an initial estimate made by that analyst for the predetermined earnings event, any revisions to the initial estimate and when such revisions, if any, were made.

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29. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 27, wherein an earnings event relates to a selected security, and wherein the display further comprises a time series display of the price of the selected security displayed in juxtaposition with the time series of earning estimates for the selected security.

30. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 27, further comprising means for enabling a user to view historical data as of a user-selected date, and further comprising a simultaneous display of summary estimate data as of that date and a means to select it graphically by dragging a vertical line to the date desired.

31. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 30, wherein the summary estimate data comprises data derived from a distribution of estimates.

32. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 31, wherein the summary estimate data comprises an enhanced composite estimate on an "As Of Date."

33. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 27, wherein a time discontinuity in a prediction is graphically displayed via an indicator.

34. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 33, wherein the indicator is a gray line.

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35. (New) A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event; and

wherein the historical view module comprises means for enabling a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected sources, a time series of earnings estimates for each source selected, for a user specified period, for a user-specified earnings event, and further comprising a display box for displaying a list of sources for which historical data is stored and an indicator of whether the source is selected for display, each source having a unique identifier associated with it, and wherein the unique identifier is associated with the time series display for that source.

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36. (New) A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event; and

wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected sources, a time series of earnings estimates for each source selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event, and further comprising a display box for displaying a list of sources for which historical data is stored and an indicator of whether a source is selected for display, the sources comprising one or more security analysts, and derived time series information including one or more of a high estimate, a low estimate, a mean estimate, and a predetermined number of standard deviations away from the mean estimate.

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37. *(New)* A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event; and

wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected sources, a time series of earnings estimates for each source selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event, wherein the time series comprises a plurality of nodes, data points or data markers, the selection of which causes a display of data associated with that node, data point or data marker, including one or more of the source and the value of the estimate corresponding to that node, data point or data marker.

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38. (New) A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event, wherein the time series for each analyst graphically depicts an initial estimate made by that analyst for the predetermined earnings event, any revisions to the initial estimate, and when such revisions, if any, were made; and

means for enabling a user to select analysts whose estimates are to be displayed, including means to enable a user to individually select or deselect individual analysts, and an option to select or deselect all analysts.

39. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 38, wherein the means for enabling a user to select analysts comprises a display box adjacent a time series display, for displaying a list of sources for which historical data is stored and an indicator of whether the source is selected for display.

40. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 38, wherein selecting an analyst highlights a line correlated to the selected analyst in the time series earnings view.

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41. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 38, further comprising a performance module means for determining a plurality of metrics.

42. (New) A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event, wherein the time series for each analyst graphically depicts an initial estimate made by that analyst for the predetermined earnings event, any revisions to the initial estimate, and when such revisions, if any, were made; and

wherein a grid shows detail data on an analyst by analyst basis as of a selected date.

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43. *(New)* A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event and the actual reported earnings for the predetermined earnings event, and a summary for an "As Of Date"; and

wherein the time series for each analyst graphically depicts an initial estimate made by that analyst for the predetermined earnings event, any revisions to the initial estimate, and when such revisions, if any, were made.

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44. (New) A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more selected analysts, a time series of earnings estimates for each analyst selected, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event, wherein the time series for each analyst graphically depicts an initial estimate made by that analyst for the predetermined earnings event, any revisions to the initial estimate and when such revisions, if any, were made; and

wherein the historical view module enables a user to toggle between a time series estimate view and detailed data in a grid view.

45. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 44, wherein summary information is rendered with the detailed data.

46. (New) The computer-implemented user interface of claim 44, wherein the detailed data comprises analyst name, security identification, current estimate information, and previous estimate information.

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47. *(New)* The computer-implemented user interface of claim 44, wherein the detailed data comprises date of estimate, and age of estimate.

48. *(New)* The computer-implemented user interface of claim 44, wherein the historical view module enables a user to simultaneously display in the grid view, historical analyst performance including historical accuracy, analyst distinctions, and how long the analyst has been following a security.

49. *(New)* The computer-implemented user interface of claim 44, wherein a value view of the security is selectively rendered with the estimate view.

50. *(New)* The computer-implemented user interface of claim 49, wherein zooming or panning of the estimate view correspondingly zooms or pans the value view, and zooming or panning of the value view correspondingly zooms or pans the estimate view.

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51. (New) A computer-implemented user interface for use with a database of historical data relating to predictions from a plurality of sources relating to securities, the user interface comprising:

a historical view module to enable users to view the historical data; wherein at least some of the plurality of sources comprise one or more security analysts and the predictions comprise security analysts' earnings estimates, and wherein the historical view module enables a user to view simultaneously, for one or more analysts, current earnings estimates for each analyst, for a predetermined period, for a predetermined earnings event and an indication of the historical accuracy of earnings estimates of the analysts.